

A RESOLUTION to create a special joint committee to study  
issues relating to drunk driving and the offense  
of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

WHEREAS, Traffic accidents involving alcohol or drugs are a significant cause of death  
in our country today; and

WHEREAS, In 1992 in Tennessee there were 472 alcohol related fatal crashes and 538  
alcohol related fatalities which represents about 46% of such crashes and fatalities in this state;  
and

WHEREAS, In this General Assembly a variety of legislation has been introduced  
addressing a variety of concerns relating to DUI, including penalties, forfeiture and  
impoundment, and administrative license revocation; and

WHEREAS, The continuing problems and issues relating to drunk driving and the  
offense of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs merit careful study by this General  
Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING,  
That there is hereby created a special joint committee to study issues relating to drunk driving  
and the offense of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs .

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall consist of six (6) members of  
the House of Representatives and six (6) members of the Senate, to be appointed by the  
respective speakers.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all legislative members of the special joint committee shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly and shall be paid as members of the General Assembly are paid for attending legislative meetings as provided in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the General Assembly; and at its first meeting shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and any other officers the committee deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special joint committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation or interim reports, to the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly, February 1, 1996 at which time the committee shall cease to exist.